GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Home - Ex-gratia to the legal heirs of the deceased victims of M/s Agri-Gold Farm Estates India Pvt. Ltd. – Extension of compensation of Rs.5 lakhs to each Agri-Gold depositor/agent, who died due to stress/ depression/ heart attack –Accorded – Amendment Orders – Issued.

HOME (GENERAL. A) DEPARTMENT

GO. MS. No.19 **Dated:12.02.2018.**

Read the following:

1. From the Director General of Police, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada, C.No.1581/C-13/CID/2017, dated: 26.04.2017.
2. G.O. Ms. No. 80, Home (General. A) Department, dt. 12-05-2017.
3. From the Addl. Director General of Police, CID, Mangalagiri, A.P., Lr.C. No. 1551/C-13/CID/2017, Dated: 28.12.2017.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Director General of Police, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada has informed that the Agri-Gold Group of Companies (accused) have collected deposits offering high rates of interest or with a promise to register a piece of land in lieu thereof. However, the accused Companies have neither repaid the deposits to the depositors nor did they register any land in the depositors' names. Based on the complaints of aggrieved depositors, several cases have been registered at various Police Stations in Andhra Pradesh State.

2. The Addl. Director General of Police, Crime Investigation Department, Andhra Pradesh has stated that the default by the Agri-Gold Group of companies created widespread distress and panic among lakhs of depositors who lost their life time savings, having deposited in the company. It is also reported that some of the aggrieved depositors/agents have committed suicide since they have lost all hopes of recovering their hard earned money. On the recommendation of the Director General of Police, Andhra Pradesh, Government have announced an ex-gratia of Rs. 5 lakhs to legal heirs of each aggrieved person who committed suicide vide G.O. 2nd read above.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Addl. Director General of Police, Crime Investigation Department, Andhra Pradesh has stated that field enquiries revealed that several depositors and agents died due to stress / pressure and heart attack because of the agony caused by loss of his/ her hard-earned money, or due to the mounting pressure from the depositors under his agent-ship, in case of agents.

4. In view of the above, the Addl. Director General of Police, Crime Investigation Department, Andhra Pradesh has requested the Government to consider the cases of those depositors/ agents who died due to stress/ depression/ heart attack, for ex-gratia which was announced by the Government in reference 2nd read above on humanitarian grounds. It was also requested to release the amount to the aggrieved victims without linking to insurance by any Insurance Company.

5. Further, it has also been requested that the condition of copy of First Information Report/ Post Mortem Certificate report, etc., may be waived in respect of those deaths that occurred before the issuance of GO vide 2nd read above, while all other conditions stipulated in the above GO will remain the same.

(P.T.O.)

6. In the circumstances reported by the Addl. Director General of Police, Crime Investigation Department, Mangalagiri, Andhra Pradesh, Government after careful examination of the entire matter hereby accord administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees five lakhs only) towards ex-gratia to the legal heir of each Agri Gold depositor/agent of Andhra Pradesh who **committed suicide or who died due to distress/ pressure and heart attack** based on the Scrutiny Committee Report. All other conditions stipulated in the GO 2nd read above, will remain the same.

7. The Director General of Police, Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri, shall take further necessary action in the matter.

8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (FMU.Home & Law) Department, vide their U.O.No. Fin-43027/113/2017-SO(FMU (E&H&C)) Department, Dated: 11.02.2018.

9. This order is available on internet and can be accessed at address www.goir.ap.gov.in

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director General of Police, Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri.
All the Collectors and District Magistrates of Andhra Pradesh in the State.
All the Superintendents of Police and Commissioners of Police of Vijayawada & Visakhapatnam Cities of Andhra Pradesh.
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The Additional Director General of Police, CID, Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri.
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The P.S. to M (Finance).
P.S. to Principal Secretary, Home.
The Finance (FMU.Home & Law) Department.
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